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SUBJECT:WASHINGTON VISIT OF JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER MIKI

1. JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER MIKI PAID OFFICIAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON AUGUST 5 AND 6. THREE WHITE HOUSE MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT, WORKING DINNER AT WHITE HOUSE AND LUNCHEON HOSTED BY SECRETARY PROVIDED OPPORTUNITY FOR WIDE-RANGING, FRANK AND CORDIAL DISCUSSIONS. VISIT ACHIEVED ITS FUNDA-MENTAL PURPOSES FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW--ESTABLISHING GOOD PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PRESIDENT AND PRIME MINISTER, UNDERSCORING IMPORTANCE AND BASIC STRENGTH OF BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, AND FURTHER COORDINATING US AND JAPANESE
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APPROACHES TO MULTILATERAL ISSUES. MAJOR ITEMS OF DIS-CUSSION INCLUDED FOLLOWING:

2. -- EAST ASIAN SECURITY:

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MIKI WAS INTERESTED IN OUR INTERPRETATIONS OF CSCE AND OTHER EUROPEAN SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS AND THEIR POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS FOR EAST ASIA. IN PARTICULAR, HE WONDERED WHETHER SOVIETS MIGHT NOW, IN WAKE OF CSCE, REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE ASIAN "COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM".

PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY EXPRESSED VIEW THAT REGARDLESS OF SOVIET INTENT, ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY IDEA WAS NON-STARTER. WE WOULD NOT BE PARTICIPANT, CHINESE WOULD SEE IT, CORRECTLY, AS ATTEMPT AT ENCIRCLEMENT, AND FOR THESE AND OTHER REASONS SMALLER GOVERNMENTS OF REGION WOULD NOT BE ATTRACTED TO IT. MIKI LOOKED UPON SCHEME IN SIMILAR TERMS, AND AFFIRMED JAPANESE DISINTEREST.

3. -- KOREA:

MIKI SAID IT IMPORTANT TO INSURE THAT NORTH KOREA NOT MISCALCULATE, AND THAT PARK BE REASSURED OF HIS POSITION AND OUR SUPPORT SO THAT HE WOULD RELAX DOMESTIC REPRESSION WHICH IS ITSELF SOUTH KOREA'S GREATEST WEAKNESS. THESE CONSIDERATIONS LAY BEHIND MIYAZAWA'S VISIT TO SEOUL, WHICH WAS INTENDED TO IMPROVE KOREAN-JAPANESE RELATIONS. WE URGED THAT JAPAN CONTINUE EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS WITH ROK. PRESIDENT REAFFIRMED OUR COMMITMENT TO KOREA AND MIKI SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN US TROOPS IN KOREA. JOINT PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT (SEPTEL) INCLUDED A REASONABLY DIRECT STATEMENT REAFFIRMING THAT ROK SECURITY WAS ESSENTIAL TO JAPAN, AND MIKI STATED PUBLICLY IN HIS NATIONAL PRESS CLUB SPEECH THAT JAPAN PLACES GREAT IMPORT-ANCE UPON THE MAINTENANCE OF US FORCE PRESENCE IN KOREA. PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO NOTES OUR SHARED CONCERN THAT ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE WHICH WILL PRESERVE ARMISTICE ARRANGEMENTS IN KOREA BEFORE ANY ABOLITION OF UNC. WE INDICATED OUR READINESS TO VETO ADMISSION OF TWO VIETNAMS TO UN IF ROK IS EXCLUDED.

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4. -- BILATERAL SECURITY AND POLITICAL RELATIONS:

PRESIDENT AND MIKI AFFIRMED OUR RESPECTIVE COMMITMENTS UNDER MUTUAL SECURITY TREATY, AS NOTED IN PRESS ANNOUNCE-MENT. PRESIDENT AGREED WITH MIKI'S VIEW THAT TWO GOVERN-MENTS SHOULD UNDERTAKE INCREASED CONSULTATION ON SECURITY ISSUES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE US-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY. PRESIDENT STRESSED IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO CLOSE AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH JAPAN IN ALL FIELDS, SIGNIFICANT NOT ONLY IN PURELY BILATERAL CONTEXT BUT ALSO WITH RESPECT TO MAJOR POWER EQUILIBRIUM IN EAST ASIA. MIKI ALSO SUBSCRIBED TO VIEW THAT CLOSE US-JAPAN RELATIONSHIP IS ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT IN MAINTAINING BALANCE AMONG FOUR

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MAJOR POWERS INVOLVED IN REGION.

5. -- CHINA.

PRESIDENT SAID WE INTEND TO CONTINUE TO WORK FOR IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH PRC, WITHIN TERMS OF SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE. HE DID NOT SPECULATE AS TO OUTCOME OF PROJECTED VISIT TO PEKING, BUT NOTED THAT CHINESE DO NOT APPEAR DISSATISFIED WITH PRESENT STATUS OF RELATIONSHIP, AND THAT THERE ARE NO "PRECONDITIONS" ATTACHED TO VISIT.

6. -- SOUTHEAST ASIA:

MIKI REFERRED TO HIS RECENT DISPATCH OF SPECIAL ENVOY (OKITA) TO SOUTHEAST ASIA TO SURVEY CONDITIONS IN AFTERMATH OF VIETNAM, AND SAID HIS CONCLUSION, BASED ON OKITA'S OBSERVATIONS, IS THAT DESPITE OCCASIONAL PUBLIC RHETORIC TO CONTRARY, SEA GOVERNMENTS WANT US TO REMAIN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN REGION. PRESIDENT NOTED OUR INTENTION TO DO SO, BUT ADDED THAT STATEMENTS OF SEA LEADERS CRITICAL OF THAT ROLE MADE OUR TASK MORE DIFFICULT, PARTICULARLY VIS-A-VIS CONGRESS. MIKI AND PRESIDENT AGREED THAT BOTH NATIONS CAN CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO STABILITY AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS OF REGION, AND THAT WE SHOULD MAINTAIN COMPLEMENTARY POLICIES.

7. -- FIVE POWER ECONOMIC SUMMIT:

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THERE WAS AGREEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPROVING CO-ORDINATION OF ECONOMIC POLICY AMONG MAJOR INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES, PARTICULARLY IN TIMES OF ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES IN DISCUSSING FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR MONETARY SUMMIT, THEY AGREED THAT ANY SUCH MEETING SHOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO MONETARY MATTERS. THEY ALSO AGREED THAT BEFORE SUCH A SUMMIT REPRESENTATIVES OF RESPECTIVE HEADS OF GOVERNMENTS SHOULD MEET TO DEFINE AN AGENDA AND INSURE THAT THERE IS BROAD AGREEMENT. HOWEVER, PRESIDENT INDICATED THAT HE DID NOT WISH TO PROCEED WITH EVEN PREPARATORY MEETING UNTIL MATTER HAD BEEN GIVEN FURTHER STUDY WITHIN USG.

8. -- ENERGY:

PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED THAT WE PLACED HIGHEST PRIORITY UPON GREATER COOPERATION AMONG CONSUMER COUNTRIES AND COORDI-NATION OF OUR JOINT APPROACH TOWARD PRODUCERS. WE MENTIONED IMPORTANCE OF AGREEMENT ON A MINIMUM SAFEGUARD PRICE (MSP) AND MIKI AGREED THAT JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE TO DISCUSS MSP WITHIN THE IEA. MIKI SAID JAPAN'S STOCKPILE WAS NOW EQUIVALENT TO 68 DAYS AND WOULD BE INCREASED TO 90 DAYS WITHIN THE TIME LIMITS TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE IEA.

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9. EA POSTS SHOULD REFER TO JOINT STATEMENT AND JOINT PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT (SEPTEL) AS WELL AS TO HABIB'S AUGUST 6 PRESS BRIEFING CARRIED IN WIRELESS FILE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE ON SUMMIT. SISCO

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